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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) as a Continuation application of PCT International Application No. PCT/EP00/02516 filed March 22, 2000, which claimed priority of European Patent Application No. 99106042.7, filed March 25, 1999 and the benefit of U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/127,582 filed April 2, 1999.

- Application 26 pages, including 1 independent claim and 12 claims total 1. (as amended).
- 2. Preliminary Amendment.
- 3. Drawings - 4 sheets of drawings containing 4 figures.



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- Certified copy of European Patent Application No. 99106042.7, filed March 25, 1999.
- 5. Information Disclosure Statement and Information Disclosure Citation, PTO 1449 with documents attached.
- 6. The filing fee is calculated as follows:

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Applicants claim the right to priority based on European Patent Application No. 99106042.7, filed March 25, 1999 and the benefit of U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/127,582 filed April 2, 1999.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees due and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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